Using Revised 2000 Census Data

PURPOSE: To clarify the use of CACFP revised 2000 census data.

SCOPE: Sponsors of family day care homes participating in the Child and Adult Care
                   Food Program (CACFP).

DESCRIPTION: The Census Bureau has completed the special tabulation of the 2000 census data
                   for use within the CACFP. The information is at the Census "Block Group"
                   (CBG) level that clearly identifies the "pockets of poverty" that the legislation
                   intended. The original 2000 census data used the "Place Code" in the sorting of
                   the detailed area. This was done so the "Place Name" could be displayed at the
                   end of the data to assist State Agencies and sponsoring organizations in
                   identifying specific areas. This resulted in some Census Block Groups (CBG)
                   associated with different "Place Codes" and having more than on eligibility data.
                   The data should have combined the eligibility information in aggregate. To
                   address this situation, the Census Bureau has rerun the data. Since the 5-digit
                   "Place Code" is not used in calculating the data, it has been removed from the
                   data file. As a result, revised Census Data was posted on the DOE website on
                   July 18, 2003. (www.doe.state.in.us/food).

                   The criteria included in this special census tabulation included the 2000 income
                   eligibility guidelines, the total number of children 12 years or younger within a
                   CBG, and of those children, the total number at or below 185% of poverty. One
                   of the more critical pieces of information is the calculated percentage—the
                   percentage of children 12 years of younger at or below 185% of poverty
                   compared to the total number of children 12 years of younger.

                   Revised data for every CBG in Indiana has been provided via e-mail. Day care
                   home providers located in CBGs in which 50 percent or more of children 12
                   years of age and younger live in households at or below 185% of the poverty
                   level are eligible to participate in the CACFP as tier I homes based on the 2000
                   revised census data.

                   Effective immediately, sponsoring organizations MUST use the **revised** 2000
                   census data for Tier I determinations. It is highly recommended that sponsors
                   obtain and print maps of eligible CBGs for reference and outreach purposes.

                   Sponsors must review ALL Tier I day care home providers determined as such
                   based on the 1990 census data and make a new determination using all methods
                   available, school data, **revised** 2000 census data, and income eligibility. The
                   review and classification must be completed by October 1, 2003.

                   If a day care home provider is currently classified as Tier II, but the CBG data
                   demonstrates that the home is now Tier I, the sponsor may immediately change

the status of that provider to Tier I and pay the higher rate of reimbursement for the current month and for future months. There is no provision for retroactive reimbursement for the higher Tier I rates.

When importing data into various software programs, insignificant digits (zeros) may drop off. For example, when using numerical data, zeros in front of the number become insignificant, therefore, they drop off.   The issue of "insignificant digits" (zeros) dropping off of data may occur **after** integers larger than one when importing the data into non-Microsoft software.

CACFP Instructions—Revised Census 2000 Data follow this policy memorandum.

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CACFP Instructions – Revised Census 2000 Data

This information is provided for the purpose of using Census 2000 data to determine eligibility of day care home providers in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The data will identify the number of children within a Census Block Group (CBG) that were 12 years of age and younger and will calculate the percentage of these children living in households at or below 185% of poverty.

Two files for each State are provided; one in Microsoft Word (.doc) and the other is in text (.txt) format. The text file is provided in the event a State wants to import the data into another software format, such as Microsoft Excel, for data management purposes.

Each of the attached files was named for the State the data represents. Note the file contains information for every Census Block Group (CBG) in the State. Note that, although the information is displayed for every CBG, not every CBG is area-eligible for the CACFP. The State must first become familiar with the information provided, and then a close examination of the CBG data should be done to eliminate those CBG's that are not area-eligible. After a thorough review of the data has been accomplished, the State or sponsor should follow the instructions provided to generate a map.

Provided below are instructions for becoming familiar with the CBG information and for printing a map to determine day care home eligibility for the CACFP. There are basically two steps to the process, the first is to become familiar with the Census data and the second is to use the Census information to generate a map from the Census website or from another source.

<u>Census Data Familiarization</u>

Step 1: Open the Word file (or .txt file using a word processor software) for a particular State and review the data format.

The data will look like this Example Shown:

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51001 990300 3  70    45  64.3 VA Bloxom town
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Step 2: Review the data descriptions below of the Census data. The information is provided in 9 columns.

<u>Column</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	State Code plus County Code (2 digits plus 3 digits = 5 digit number) **Example Shown: 51001**
2	Census Tract Code (6 digit number) **Example Shown: 990300**
3	Census Block Group Code (1 digit number) **Example Shown: 3**
4	Number of Population 12 years or younger in Census Block Group **Example Shown: 70**
5	Number of Population 12 years or younger below 185% of USDA's poverty threshold (includes children in group quarters based on 1-person income threshold) within the Census Block Group. **Example Shown: 45**
6	Percent of population 12 years or younger below 185% of USDA's poverty threshold. **For this Census Block Group to be area eligible, this number must be 50.0 or higher. Example Shown: 64.3**
7	State Postal Abbreviation (2 digit alpha) **Example Shown: VA**
8	Census Place/remainder name. **Example Shown: Bloxom town**

Step 3: In order to be eligible for the CACFP using Census data, the value in column number 7 must be 50.0 percent or higher. Remember, this value represents the percentage of children within that CBG that are at or below 185% percent of poverty in that area. Any value below 50.0 (49.9 or lower) does not qualify as area eligible.

Step 4: For those areas determined to be eligible for the CACFP using Census data, follow these steps to print a map using the American Factfinder feature of the Census Bureaus website. Note, using this method will generate a map that is approximately 4 inches by 5 inches, but does show sufficient detail to determine area boundaries with adequate street references. For additional resources for printing a larger map, please see the attached list of Map Printing Resources.

Printing a map:

A. Get onto the American Factfinder feature of the Census Bureaus mapping at this website: http://factfinder.census.gov/

B. In the upper left of the webpage, there is link that says, **Enter a street address,** click this link.

Note, as you proceed through each step listed below, after each selection is made, the American Factfinder website will change and update information on the page. You will see

information (questions) below the question you just answered disappear or you will see lines of information added. This is normal and to be expected.

C. The first line on the page says, **Choose a selection method**: Click the round button next to **Name Search.**

D. After the page adjusts, the next line reads, **Select year and program**: The drop-down box will probably say **Census 2000** already. If so, continue to the next step. Note, **Census 2000** is the ONLY valid option for determining area-eligibility. If **Census 2000** is not displayed, click on the drop-down box and select **Census 2000.**

E. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Search for**: Click on the drop-down box and select **Block Group,** which about the 9th item down. Note, Block Group (Census Block Group) provides the lowest level of detail and is only option that should be used.

F. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Select a State**: Click on the drop-down box and select your State.

G. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Select a county**: Click on the drop-down box and select your County, which matches the place name listed on the file.

H. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Select a tract**: Click on the drop-down box and select your Census tract number from the provided file. The **tract** information comes from column 2 of the data. Note, the file shows a 6-digit number, without the decimal. The number in column 2 is the same as the **tract** number displayed, just without the decimal place. For Example Shown, **tract** number 2001.01 is the same as 200101 in Column 2 on the data file.

I. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Enter block group**: Enter the 1-digit **block group** number from Column 3 of the data file. After entering the **block group** number, hit the **GO** button just to the right.

J. After the page adjusts the next line reads, **Select a geography and click 'OK'** . In the dialog box below this line, one or more lines of information may be displayed. Click on the line that includes both the Block group number and tract number. Then click the **Map It** button to the right and the map will appear in a new browser window. To print the map, use the print button or print feature on your screen.